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ANNUAL REPORT  
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MUNICIPAL OFFICERS  
of the  
TOWN OF  
MOUNT VERNON

for the Year Ending February 5

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Farmington, Maine

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## Town Officers for 1958

*Moderator*  
EARL E. POTTER

*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor*  
EARL E. POTTER HERBERT M. CURRIER  
HAROLD B. KENT

*Treasurer*  
MABEL G. SMITH

*Tax Collector*  
HAZEL B. WADLEIGH

*Excise Tax Collector*  
HAZEL B. WADLEIGH

*School Committee*  
BARBARA LINCOLN EVERETT WADLEIGH  
RUTH WHITTIER

*Road Commissioners*  
HAROLD LADD RAYMOND WYMAN

*Constables (Appointed)*  
MABEL G. SMITH HAZEL WADLEIGH

*Health Officer (Appointed for 3 years)*  
KATHERINE LADD

*Fire Chief (Appointed)*  
LAWRENCE CHILDS

*Superintendent of Schools*  
WALTER R. LEACH

Note: The Supt. of Schools is not elected, but appointed by the School Committee of a Union of Towns.

## Assessors' Department

List of property at its just value in the Town of Mount Vernon, County of Kennebec, for the year 1958, made from return to Board of State Assessors, as required by law.

Number of polls taxed, 152	
Number of polls not taxed, 20	
Rate of Taxation, .082	
Poll Tax, \$3.00	
Value of Real Estate, Resident	\$227,590 00
Value of Real Estate, Non-Resident	229,055 00
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Value of Personal Estate, Resident	\$41,210 00
Value of Personal Estate, Non-Resident	10,242 00
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	\$ 51,452 00
Grand Total	\$508,097 00
Value of Land, Resident	\$ 79,070 00
Value of Buildings, Resident	148,520 00
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Value of Land, Non-Resident	\$100,615 00
Value of Buildings, Non-Resident	128,440 00
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	\$229,055 00
<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>	
Town Appropriation	\$40,658 18
County Tax	813 40
Overlay	648 38
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Total Assessments	\$42,119 96
Tax on Estates, Real, Personal	\$41,663 96
152 Polls at \$3.00	456 00
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Commitment	\$42,119 96

**ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE TAXPAYERS**

Taxable neat cattle (bulls, cows, beef, etc.)	\$19,875 00
Domestic Fowl, over 50 in number	2,710 00
Other Taxable Livestock (horses, sheep, swine, etc.)	1,960 00
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Total Taxable Livestock	\$24,545 00
 <b>NON TAXABLE LIVESTOCK</b>	
Cattle (18 months and younger)	\$4,991 00
 <b>OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY</b>	
Stock in Trade	\$ 4,325 00
Machinery and Equipment	3,650 00
Wood, Lumber and Logs	90 00
Watercraft	3,145 00
Radios and T.V.'s	9,480 00
Other kinds of Taxable Personal Property	6,217 00
Taxable Livestock and Poultry	24,545 00
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Grand Total Taxable Personal Property	\$51,452 00

Town property not used for Municipal purposes	\$ 1,100 00
Property of Veterans, their widows, exempt by law	17,990 00
Property of others, exempt by law	500 00
 Amount of Taxes assessed upon Real and Personal	
Estates for current year	\$41,663 96
Amount of Taxes assessed on Polls	456 00

# Selectmen's Report

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## APPROPRIATIONS MARCH 3, 1958

Contingent	\$ 3,500 00
Fire Dept.	1,200 00
School Bus Note	1,000 00
Whitten Bridge Note	987 70
Street Lights	300 00
Summer Roads	4,300 00
Cutting Bushes	300 00
Winter Roads (plus Excise Tax)	3,000 00
Special Resolve Maintenance	225 00
State Road Patrol	310 40
Town Poor	1,000 00
Common Schools	6,500 00
High School Tuition	10,000 00
Desks & Chairs	19 08
Supt. of Schools	1,250 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Interest on Loans & Notes	800 00
Insurance Town Employees	300 00
Insurance Town Equipment	400 00
Public Health Nurse	75 00
Town Dump	100 00
Cemetery Maintenance	100 00
State Aid Construction	1,066 00
Cottle Hill Road	500 00
Tar T. R. I. Roads	1,000 00
Water Holes	100 00
School Building Fund	2,000 00
Tax Discount	300 00
County Tax	813 40
Overlay	648 38

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\$42,119 96

**CONTINGENT**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$3,500 00
Lien Costs	23 90
R. R. & Tel. Tax	30 30
Bank Stock Tax	258 82
Ruth Hall (pin ball license)	5 00
Clara Farrell (dog tax error)	5 90
Overdraft to Summary	337 10

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\$4,161 02

Expenditures  
**Officers Salaries**

Earl E. Potter, 1st Selectman	\$408 31
Herbert M. Currier, 2nd Selectman	300 00
Herbert M. Currier, part of Selectman's salary	161 69
Harold B. Kent, 3rd Selectman	300 00
Harold B. Kent, part of 1st Selectman's salary	130 00
Mabel G. Smith, Treasurer	200 00
Mabel G. Smith, Clerk	50 00
Hazel B. Wadleigh, Tax Collector	823 61
Hazel B. Wadleigh, Excise Tax Collector	107 25
Julia A. Millett, Treas. Gilman Fund	10 00
Barbara Lincoln, School Committee	25 00
Everett Wadleigh, School Committee	25 00
Ruth Whittier, School Committee	25 00
Katherine Ladd, Health Officer	35 00

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\$2,600 86

**Officers Expense**

Earl E. Potter, postage, tel., mileage	\$28 98
Herbert Currier, trips to Augusta, Livermore, etc.	15 00
Herbert Currier, attend. State Assessors' meet.	10 00
Harold B. Kent, trip to Augusta	5 00
Harold B. Kent, attend. Assessors' meeting	10 00
Mabel G. Smith, Treas. expense	75 74
Mabel G. Smith, Clerk expense	25 07
Hazel B. Wadleigh, Coll. expense	23 33

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\$193 12

**Elections**

## Special, Primary, State

Herbert M. Currier, election official	\$24 00
Harold B. Kent, election official	24 00
Mabel G. Smith, Clerk	24 00
Woodrow Dill, Ballot Clerk	16 00
Grover Currier, Ballot Clerk	24 00
Annie Webber, Ballot Clerk	24 00
Myra Webber, Ballot Clerk	24 00
Paul Williams, Ballot Clerk	8 00
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	\$168 00

**Miscellaneous**

C. R. Woodman, Audit	\$250 00
C. M. P. Co., Lights Town & Tractor House	48 00
Maine Municipal Assoc.	60 00
Grover Currier, Ballot Clerk, March 3	5 00
Annie Webber, Ballot Clerk	5 00
Myra Webber, Ballot Clerk	5 00
Norman Perkins, Jr., Ballot Clerk	5 00
Earl Potter, Moderator	10 00
Gilman Damren, Mileage	5 00
Frank Wyman, Posting Warrants	16 00
Knowlton & McLeary Co., Reports & Ballots	388 54
Belgrade Ins. Co., Treas. & Coll. bond	50 00
Marks Printing House, Assessors Supplies	39 59
Tibbetts Pharmacy, Vaccine	11 45
Mabel G. Smith, Posting warrants & dis. liens	34 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, Assess. Supplies	7 66
Mildred Hall, Notary	18 25
Register of Deeds, Transfers	16 40
Hazel Wadleigh, Lien Notice & Reg. letters	42 00
Hazel Wadleigh, Recording liens	70 00
Hutchins Bros., Supplies	3 00
Harold Kent, Repair Town house	7 50
Leroy Hopkins, Wood Town house	9 00
State Treas., Dog Tax (error)	5 90
Hazel Wadleigh, Reference book	7 00
Mt. Vernon Tel. Co.	14 90
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\$1,134 19

**Abatements**

1958

Philip Anderson, over 70	\$ 3 00
Grover Currier, over 70	3 00
N. B. Perkins, Sr., over 70	3 00
Henry Lancaster, paid elsewhere	3 00
William Fraize, in service	3 00
Oliver Hall, town rents land	2 05
Waldron Inc., error in assessment	20 50

1957

Leland Stevens, moved away	\$ 3 00
Clifton Towle, unable to collect	6 19
Philip Watkins, under 21	7 56
Thomas Reckards, deceased	7 55

\$64 85

\$4,161 02

**1958 TAXES**

## Debits

Appropriated March 3, 1958	\$40,658 18
County Tax	813 40
Overlay Tax	648 38
Supplementary Taxes	27 15

\$42,147 11

## Credits

Cash paid to Treasurer	\$38,612 41
Due from Collector	3,534 70

\$42,147 11

**1957 TAXES**

## Debits

Due from Collector	\$4,595 21
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## Credits

Cash paid to Treasurer	\$4,531 96
Due from Collector	63 25
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	\$4,595 21

## TAX LIENS FOR 1956 TAXES

## Debit

Due from 1957	\$723 91
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## Credit

Eugene Pinkham, cash	\$ 17 20
Leslie Ricker, cash	136 37
Maynard Christopher, cash	27 95
To Balance	542 39
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	\$723 91

## TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY

## Debit

Due from 1957	\$2,073 00
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## Credit

Leroy Barter, cash	\$ 32 00
L. A. Ricker	163 63
R. & E. Barter	32 00
Maynard Christopher	27 63
To Balance	1,817 74
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	\$2,073 00

## TAX LIENS FOR 1957 TAXES

## Debit

Due from 1957	\$1,476 08
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## Credit

Maynard Christopher, cash	\$ 29 58
Robert Reckards, cash	7 62
Eugene Pinkham, cash	18 20

E. and D. Tarbox, cash	\$ 11 38
Robert Reckards	34 68
To Balance	1,374 62
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	\$1,476 08

**1956 TAXES**

Due from Collector	\$175 85
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**1955 TAXES**

Due from Collector	\$185 92
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**1954 TAXES**

Due from Collector	\$32 43
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**1953 TAXES**

Due from Collector	\$11 77
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**LIENS FOR 1956 TAX**

Evelyn and Leroy Barter	\$ 42 36
John Bishop	135 45
Sam Fogg, Jr.	60 20
Glidden Bros.	43 00
John Heath	86 00
Eva Houghton	47 30
Philip Lucas	64 50
Oscar Ranger	8 60
Leslie Ricker	29 18
Frank Webber	8 60
Reuben Webber	17 20
	_____
	\$542 39

**LIENS FOR 1957 TAX**

Leroy and Evelyn Barter	\$ 54 60
John Bishop	143 33
Vernal Charles	22 75
Joseph and Ruth Daigle	336 70
Delos and Jessie Elliot	63 70
Sam Fogg, Jr.	63 70

Albert Giandrea	\$ 27 30
Glidden Bros.	36 40
Francis Hayes	45 50
Eva Houghton	45 50
David Kinney	22 75
Edwin Kinney	11 38
Stanley Libby	20 48
Philip Lucas	9 10
Philip Lucas	11 38
Philip Lucas	45 50
Philip Lucas	11 38
Joseph McDougald	11 38
Joseph McDougald	27 30
Nina McDougald	9 10
Nina McDougald	50 05
Heirs of A. W. Pettingill	50 05
Fred Raymond	6 83
Thomas and Robert Reckards	7 75
Thomas and Robert Reckards	10 92
Leslie Ricker	11 38
Leslie Ricker	175 18
Lawrence Smith	9 10
Lawrence Smith	6 83
Walter Trask	9 10
Reuben Webber	18 20
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	\$1,374 62

#### **TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY**

Frank Butler, Heirs of	\$ 9 88
Leroy and Evelyn Barter	86 00
Sherwood Cram	20 44
John Clark	7 59
Carroll Cooper	51 15
Harold Coryell, Heirs of	23 59
Evelyn Cordis	39 43
Maynard Christopher	10
Peter Dunn	54 13
Edith DeMate	51 00
Myrtle Furbush et al	28 65

Albert Giandrea	\$ 50 10
Glidden Bros.	48 88
Frank C. Hall	403 20
Oliver Hall	9 79
John Heath	156 62
Ruth Holway	64 33
Eva Houghton	55 25
Edwin Kinney	10 63
David Kinney	21 25
Nina McDougald	162 50
Joseph McDougald	106 26
Edith Marschera	48 88
Norris Morton	84 80
Oscar Ranger	21 73
Fred Raymond	6 38
Lawrence Smith	55 36
Leland Stevens	25 87
Marion Tracy	5 26
Halden Turner	61 50
G. R. Towle	5 54
Philip Watkins, Heirs of	41 65
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	\$1,817 74

#### INSURANCE ON TOWN EQUIPMENT

##### Receipts

Appropriation	\$400 00
Emile P. Caret, refund on Cletrac	28 50
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	\$428 50

##### Expenditures

Belgrade Ins. Agency	\$306 00
Balance to Summary	122 50
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	\$428 50

#### INSURANCE ON TOWN EMPLOYEES

##### Receipts

Appropriation	\$300 00
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	\$300 00

## Expenditures

Belgrade Ins. Agency	\$241 20
Balance to Summary	58 80
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	\$300 00

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$1,200 00
Lawrence Childs	10 00
Town of Chesterville	25 00
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	\$1,235 00

Expenditures	
Fire Chief's payrolls	\$1,206 83
Balance to Summary	28 17
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	\$1,235 00

**STREET LIGHTS**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$300 00
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Central Me. Power Co.	\$300 00
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	\$300 00

**WATER HOLES**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$100 00
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Balance to Summary	\$100 00
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	\$100 00

**PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$75 00
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	\$75 00

## Expenditures

State Treasurer	\$75 00
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	\$75 00

**TOWN DUMP**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$100 00
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	\$100 00

## Expenditures

Bulldozing	\$78 00
Balance to Summary	22 00
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	\$100 00

**WINTER ROADS**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$3,000 00
State Treas.	3,246 75
Excise tax	4,304 03
Overlay	648 38
Overdraft to Summary	3,234 17
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	\$14,433 33

## Expenditures

Road Commissioners payrolls, (H. Ladd)	\$5,094 81
Road Commissioners payrolls (R. Wyman)	9,338 52
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	\$14,433 33

**SUMMER ROADS**

## Receipts

Appropriations	\$4,300 00
Transfer from Spec. Res. Maint.	225 00
Transfer from Clough Fund	300 00
Overdraft to Summary	356 03
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	\$5,181 03
Expenditures	
Road Commissioners payrolls (H. Ladd)	\$4,548 78
Road Commissioners payrolls (R. Wyman)	632 25
	_____
	\$5,181 03

Note: This overdraft was caused by paying \$373.00 for bridge plank in Jan. 1959 and not yet used.

**CUTTING BUSHES**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$300 00
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	\$300 00
Expenditures	
Road Comm. payrolls	\$294 20
Balance to Summary	5 80
	_____
	\$300 00

**COTTELL HILL ROAD**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$500 00
Louise Clough	42 00
Transfer from T. R. I. Roads	200 00
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	\$742 00
Expenditures	
Road Comm. payrolls	\$741 54
Balance to Summary	46
	_____
	\$742 00

**TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT**

## Receipts

State Treasurer	\$5,693 21
Overdraft to Summary	58 00
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	\$5,751 21

## Expenditures

Road Comm. payrolls	\$5,551 21
Transferred to Cottle Hill	200 00
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	\$5,751 21

**TARRING TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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## Expenditures

Road Comm. payrolls	493 88
Balance to Summary	506 12
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	\$1,000 00

**SPECIAL RESOLVE MAINT.**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$225 00
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## Expenditures

Transferred to Summer Roads	\$225 00
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**STATE ROAD PATROL**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$310 40
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Expenditures	
State Treasurer	\$310 40
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	\$310 40

**STATE AID ROADS NO. 2 & 3**

Receipts	
Appropriation	\$1,066 00
State Treasurer	2,132 00
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	\$3,198 00
Expenditures	
Livermore Falls Trust Co.	\$3,198 00
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	\$3,198 00

**CLOUGH FUND**

Rec. First National Granite Bank	\$300 00
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	\$300 00
Expenditures	
Transferred to Summer Roads	\$300 00
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	\$300 00

**TOWN POOR**

Receipts	
Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Overdraft to Summary	362 66
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	\$1,362 66
Expenditures	
City of Augusta	\$377 63
Town of Winthrop	435 09
State Treas. A.D.C.	524 88
Corner Store	16 09
Hamilton Store	8 97
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	\$1,362 66

**COMMON SCHOOLS**

## Receipts

Bal. from 1957	\$ 2,452 56
Appropriation	6,500 00
State Treasurer	10,866 00
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	\$19,818 56
Expenditures	
Supt. payrolls	\$18,582 81
Balance to 1959	1,235 75
	_____
	\$19,818 56

**HIGH SCHOOL TUITION**

## Receipts

Balance from 1957	\$ 444 42
Appropriation	10,000 00
State Treas. (E. Crowell)	153 71
	_____
	\$10,598 13
Expenditures	
Supt. payrolls	\$9,435 59
Balance to 1959	1,162 54
	_____
	\$10,598 13

**SUPT. SALARY**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$1,250 00
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	\$1,250 00
Expenditures	
Walter R. Leach	\$1,048 50
Overdraft from 1957	114 32
Bal. to 1959	87 18
	_____
	\$1,250 00

**SCHOOL REPAIRS**

## Receipts

No Appropriation	
Overdraft to Summary	\$50 94
	_____
	\$50 94
Expenditures	
Supt. payrolls	\$50 94
	_____
	\$50 94

**DESKS & CHAIRS**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$19 08
	_____
	\$19 08
Expenditures	
Overdraft from 1957	\$19 08
	_____
	\$19 08

**CEMETERY MAINTENANCE**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$100 00
	_____
	\$100 00
Expenditures	
Warrants Drawn	\$ 75 90
Balance to Summary	24 10
	_____
	\$100 00

**MEMORIAL DAY**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$25 00
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	\$25 00

## Expenditures

Rev. Henry Lancaster	\$25 00
	\$25 00

**PORCUPINE BOUNTY**

## Receipts

State Treas.	\$ 6 50
Due from State Treas.	15 50
	\$22 00

## Expenditures

Mabel Smith	\$22 00
	\$22 00

**TAX DISCOUNT**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$300 00
Overdraft to Summary	150 79
	\$450 79

## Expenditures

Hazel B. Wadleigh	\$450 79
	\$450 79

**COUNTY TAX**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$813 40
	\$813 40

## Expenditures

Chester Fowles	\$813 40
	\$813 40

**INTEREST ON NOTES & LOANS**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$800 00
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	\$800 00
 Expenditures	
Livermore Falls Trust Co.	\$565 06
Macomber, Farr & Whitten Ins. (Error)	7 20
Balance to Summary	227 74
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	\$800 00

**TEMPORARY LOANS**

## TAX ANTICIPATION

## Receipts

Livermore Falls Trust Co.	\$10,000 00
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	\$10,000 00
 Expenditures	
Livermore Falls Trust Co.	\$5,500 00
Due Livermore Falls Trust Co.	4,500 00
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	\$10,000 00

**WITHHOLDING TAX**

## Receipts

Balance Due from 1957	\$ 225 00
Deducted from payrolls	1,950 70
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	\$2,175 70

## Expenditures

Collector of Internal Revenue	\$1,876 30
Due Collector of Int. Revenue	299 40
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	\$2,175 70

**SCHOOL BUS NOTES**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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Expenditures	
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Livermore Falls Trust Co.	\$1,000 00
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	\$1,000 00

**WHITTEN BRIDGE NOTE**

## Receipts

Appropriation	\$987 70
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Expenditures	
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Livermore Falls Trust Co. (Final payment)	\$987 70
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	\$987 70

**NOTES PAYABLE AS OF FEBRUARY 5, 1959**

Due Livermore Falls Trust Co.	
Note due Aug. 1, 1959 on School Bus	\$1,000 00
Note due July 27, 1959 on State Aid Roads	\$3,198 00

**SCHOOL BUILDING FUND**

## Receipts

Balance February 4, 1958	\$3,551 75
Appropriation	2,000 00
Interest 1958	95 95
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	\$5,647 70
First National Granite Bank	
Augusta, Maine. Book No. 30296	\$5,647 70

**CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS**

	Bank Book No.	Original Fund	Bal. Feb. 1958	Bal. Feb. 1959
<b>Bean Cemetery</b>				
Jessie K. Brown	2345	\$250 00	\$290 36	\$298 38
Silas Burbank	2344	40 00	58 30	59 90
Noah A. Clough	2353	35 00	57 70	59 07
Albion P. Cram	2347	50 00	57 49	59 06
Atwood F. Cressy	2355	100 00	127 64	131 15
J. Freemont Davis	3510	100 00	130 05	133 64
J. N. Morse	2354	100 00	136 25	140 01
<b>Dunn's Corner Cemetery</b>				
Samuel Bartlett	12492	300 00	353 81	359 94
John Greeley	12491	300 00	353 81	362 35
Abner A. Lane	988	100 00	144 23	146 49
<b>Hovey Road Cemetery</b>				
Elvina Whittier	2343	50 00	80 55	82 76
<b>Robinson Cemetery</b>				
Alamada Davis	2348	100 00	150 99	155 14
Augustus Robinson	2342	100 00	136 25	139 88
Myrtie Robinson	2349	125 00	168 59	173 24
Jessie Gilman	33205	50	53 93	55 53
<b>Philbrick Cemetery</b>				
Edward A. Robinson	21125	75 00	100 11	103 12

The above funds are deposited with the Depositors Trust Co.,  
Augusta, Maine except:

Abner Lane, Depositors Trust Co., Winthrop, Maine.

Jessie Gilman, First National Granite Bank, Augusta, Maine.

Edward A. Robinson, First National Granite Bank, Augusta, Maine.

The following funds with the Kennebec Savings Bank, Augusta, Me.

Mary A. Archibald	28626	57 04	58 74
Lyman Norris	28627	57 03	58 73
Dorothy Worcester	28628	47 92	49 34
George H. Poole	28629	57 05	58 75
Sarah Dutton	28630	57 10	58 80
Angie B. Gile	28631	120 78	124 41

## NOAH A. AND NELLIE E. CLOUGH FUND

Feb. 1, 1959

\$10,000 00

In custody of First National Bank, Augusta, Maine.

Burton B. Hall and Myrtie D. Hall, \$100.00, received since books closed.

## TOWN OWNED PROPERTY

Town House	\$ 1,200 00
Tractor House	250 00
Schoolhouses	
Cressey	50 00
West Mount Vernon	650 00
Village	1,000 00
2 School Buses	6,500 00
Cletrac & Plow	500 00
Walters Truck & Plow	5,000 00
2 Small Snow Plows	800 00
3 Sand Spreaders	200 00
Road Grader	300 00
Repairs Parts, Oil & Grease — Inventory	1,373 50
5950 ft. Snow fence	500 00
Memorial Tablets & Lot	1 00
Remington Rand Adding Machine	100 00
Royal Typewriter	25 00
Safe at Town House	25 00
Fire Department	
Chevrolet Fire truck & equipment	7,000 00
Chevrolet Fire Truck & equipment	1,000 00
2 Forestry Pumps	500 00

## SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

	Debits	Credits
Cash	\$1,218 42	
1958 Taxes	3,534 70	
1957 Taxes	63 25	
1956 Taxes	175 85	
1955 Taxes	185 92	
1954 Taxes	32 43	
1953 Taxes	11 77	

	Debits	Credits
Liens for 1957 Taxes	\$1,374 62	
Liens for 1956 Taxes	542 39	
Tax Acquired Property	1,817 74	
Accounts Receivable	158 00	
Deferred Appropriation	3,198 00	
Unappropriated Surplus		\$4,299 72
Withholding Tax, Due IRC		299 40
Contingent	337 10	
Insurance Town Equipment		122 50
Insurance Town Employees		58 80
Fire Department		28 17
Fire Holes		100 00
Town Dump		22 00
Winter Roads	3,234 17	
Summer Roads	356 03	
Cutting Bushes		5 80
Town Road Improvement	58 00	
Tarring T. R. I.	506 12	
Cottle Hill Road		46
Poor	362 66	
Common Schools		1,235 75
High School Tuition		1,162 54
Supt's Salary		87 18
School Repairs	50 94	
Cemetery Maintenance		24 10
Porcupine Bounty	15 50	
Discount on Taxes	150 79	
Interest on Loans		227 74
Temporary Loans		4,500 00
Notes Payable		4,198 00
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	\$16,878 28	\$16,878 28

#### SELECTMENS' REMARKS

We, the Selectmen, Herbert Currier and Harold Kent, would like at this time to clarify certain rumors, that we were responsible for our 1st Selectman, Earl Potter, and our Road Commissioner Harold Ladd, resigning last Oct. 6.

Mr. Ladd told us last March 3rd about his trip to Florida, and that this year he was going in September if possible. He also told us there would be no secrets among us, that everything should be above board, to which we readily agreed.

We then mentioned several complaints we had from several taxpayers. These complaints were not well accepted by them.

On Oct. 6, Mr. Potter gave us his resignation in writing, Mr. Ladd gave us his verbal resignation which we thought should be in writing also, so that another man could be elected or appointed and the Town would not be in trouble later by having two Commissioners.

We would be pleased to discuss this subject with the citizens of the town, the parties involved, or anyone else, in private or in public or at any time or place.

We are sorry to announce that we were unable to pay all of our temporary loan this year, there were several bills that should have been paid last year on Winter roads. The Walters truck was in very bad condition. The men that repaired it wondered what made it run at all. Had these repairs been made in some garages it would have cost, in our opinion, over \$4000., but by shopping around, we were able to get it done for approx. \$2200. We feel that it is now in very good condition and will go for a long time without many repairs. The major repairs are as follows, Bryant's Garage, Welding, painting, repair of hydraulic controls and new hose, replacing gears, changing tires, \$433.35, C. E. Noyes Co., 4 New tires & tubes, \$687.56, State Highway Comm. rebuilding motor and installing new clutch assembly, \$861.88. The other bills are in the Road Comm. report.

Over \$5000. of winter roads money was spent before this winter began, we have had 56 tons of salt and 1,000 or more yards of sand to buy, haul and stock pile, snow fence to put up, plowing and sanding to do. Comparing costs of towns around us, we feel our cost is very reasonable.

When we appointed a new Road Commissioner we had several bridges which needed immediate repair. At which time there were no preparations made for the coming winter. The planking etc. that was on hand for the Seibert bridge had to be used on other bridges. There was not enough on hand anyhow to do that bridge but the Road Commissioner ordered enough and got them in Jan. 1959. Therefore one of the first projects is the repairing of that bridge. We do list an inventory of materials etc. that are on hand and all bills paid so the outlay

the coming year shall be less. We do have cutting edges to go at least another winter maybe more all depending on conditions.

Our reason for recommending more money for winter roads is because the road commissioner thinks the town would save considerable money by stocking enough to carry through even though we have a tough winter.

Considering the size of this year's commitment being the largest in the Town's history, we feel that all taxpayers should make a special effort to be present at our annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT M. CURRIER,  
HAROLD B. KENT,

Selectmen of the Town of Mount Vernon.

## Tax Collector's Report

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Commitment	\$42,119 96
Supplemental	30 15
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	\$42,150 11
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Cash to Treasurer	\$38,148 22
Abatements	40 55
Discount	450 79
Collected after books closed	282 62
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	\$38,922 18
Resident taxes due	\$2,881 48
Non-Resident taxes due	346 45
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	\$ 3,227 93
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	\$42,150 11

### EXCISE TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1958 Excise Tax	\$3,279 46
1959 Excise Tax	1,024 27
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	\$4,303 73

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL B. WADLEIGH,

Collector

**UNCOLLECTED TAXES**

1958

Ayott, Joseph	\$ 9 02
Barter, Leroy	9 77
Barter, Leroy & Evelyn	25 74
Bishop, John	129 15
Bradley, Irvin	86 10
Carl, Rodney	59 17
Daigle, Joseph	14 89
Daigle, Joseph & Ruth	352 60
DeMato, Edith	114 80
Erb, Fred	3 00
Elliott, Delos	14 07
Elliott, Delos & Jessie	57 40
Field, Kenneth	18 17
Field, Mary	12 30
Goucher, Philip	3 00
Farrell, Clara	4 10
Heath, John	88 28
Hayes, Francis	36 90
Hall, Harry	11 20
Hayes, Robert	3 00
Libby, Mildred	18 45
Libby, Stanley	28 42
Lobley, Calvin	3 00
Ladd, Harold	211 69
Moores, Kenneth	98 95
McGraw, Leo	3 00
Musselman, Frank	22 27
Peters, Frank	26 37
Pettingill, A. W., Heirs of	45 10
Potter, Stanley	7 92
Pinkham, Milton	33 75
Reckards, Thomas & Robert	54 94
Reckards, Robert	3 00
Reid, James	18 17
Reid, James & Arline	82 00
Ricker, Leslie	198 57
Reckards, Eileen	8 20

Smith, Ervin	\$ 17 35
Trask, Walter	12 02
Turner, Halden	3 00
Varney, Harlan	10 30
Wyman, Leah	6 15
Webber, Reuben	29 65
Webber, Richard	3 82
Webber, Ralph	3 00
Webber, Frank	8 20
White, Kenneth	114 11
Williams, Paul	83 12
White, Albert & Helen	352 19
White, Albert	171 92
Webber, Harold	3 00
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	\$2,881 48

**NON-RESIDENT**

Charles, Vernal	\$20 50
Fogg, Sam, Jr.	57 40
Furbish, Myrtle	4 10
Gianandrea, Albert	24 60
Glidden Bros.	32 80
Kinney, Edwin	10 25
Kinney, David	20 50
Lucas, Philip	69 70
McDougal, Joseph	34 85
McDougal, Nina	53 30
Mason, Erlon & Mary	12 30
Raymond, Fred	6 15
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	\$346 45

**1956 TAX**

Heirs of A. W. Pettingill	\$47 30
Robert Reckards	4 30
Thomas & Robert Reckards	57 62
Clifton Towle	3 86

Reuben Webber	\$ 3 86
Edwin Kinney	10 75
David Kinney	21 50
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	\$149 19

**1957 TAX**

Elmo Damren	\$ 7 74
Leslie Ricker	22 29
Walter Trask	91
Reuben Webber	17 56
Myrtle Furbish	4 55
Herbert Hall	15 29
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	\$68 34

## Treasurer's Report

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Total Balance Feb. 2, 1958	\$ 271 71
Receipts from 473 — 500 — 1 — 53	<u>82,802 48</u>
	\$83,074 19
Warrants from 1 — 29	<u>81,853 57</u>
	\$1,220 62
Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Balance Feb. 5th, 1959	\$12,081 70
Bank Statement from Livermore Falls Trust Co.	<u>6,740 69</u>
Cash on hand or in Mail	\$18,822 39
Outstanding Checks	<u>17,601 77</u>
	\$1,220 62

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL G. SMITH,

Town Treasurer.

## Report of Audit

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February 14, 1959

Board of Selectmen  
Mount Vernon, Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 405, Public Laws of 1957, and at your request, the financial records of the Town of Mount Vernon have been audited for the municipal year ended February 6, 1959.

As required by Statute one copy of this report together with the audit procedural form have been forwarded to the State Department of Audit.

The examination was made in accordance with the recommendations of the National Committee on Governmental Accounting, for a limited general audit. Audit analysis was on a basis consistent with the preceding year and included all procedures considered necessary. Insofar as could be ascertained within the scope of the audit, the financial transactions of the Town appear to have been appropriately handled, with such exceptions as may be noted in the accompanying comments.

Exhibits and schedules, together with the accompanying comments, present the results of the financial operations of the Town for the period designated.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. R. WOODMAN,

Public Accountant

## COMMENTS

### TOWN OF MOUNT VERNON

#### FEBRUARY 2, 1958 TO FEBRUARY 6, 1959

An audit has been completed of the financial records of the Town of Mount Vernon for the municipal year ended February 6, 1959. The audit included an examination of the financial records maintained by the Assessors, Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector and the town meeting records of the Town Clerk.

An analysis of the results of the year's operations showed that expenditures exceeded available funds by \$3,753.59, per the following summary:

Operating Accounts	
Overdrafts	\$4,551 69
Unexpended Balances	798 10
	\$3,753 59
Net Overdrafts	

As indicated above, overdrafts totaling \$4,551.69 were noted in various accounts, with the heaviest overdraft in the amount of \$3,236.17 coming in the winter roads account. Overdrafts are not authorized by the Statutes except that in emergencies highway appropriations may be exceeded by fifteen percent. In this connection it is suggested that when overdrafts appear inevitable, special town meetings should be called to obtain authority for further expenditures.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

The monthly bank statement should be reconciled with the cash book at the end of each month, including a complete list of outstanding checks.

Greater emphasis on the collection of back taxes and tax liens can only result in improvement of the Town's financial position.

### **ASSETS**

The cash balance of \$1,220.62 was reconciled with a statement furnished by the Livermore Falls Trust Company (Schedule A-1). A cash discrepancy of \$4.90 proved to be the result of not properly recording receipts from payroll deductions. Cash receipts and bank deposits and warrants and checks written were examined in detail to effect this reconciliation.

Other assets were reviewed and reconciled with balances shown on the records of the Selectmen. Letters of verification were utilized on a sample basis to determine their correctness at the year end.

### **LIABILITIES**

Liabilities at the year end totaled \$9,002.30 and consisted of the following:

Payroll Deductions	\$ 304 30
State Aid Road Note	3,198 00
School Bus Note	1,000 00
Temporary Loan	4,500 00
Total	\$9,002 30

### **RESERVES AND SURPLUS**

The appropriation account balance totaled \$2,813.21 at the year end, representing principally education account balances carried forward in compliance with statutory requirements (Exhibit D).

The unappropriated surplus of the Town at the audit date totaled \$340.12, a decrease of \$1,916.90 as compared with the preceding year. This decrease was occasioned principally by the excess of expenditures over available funds (Exhibit C).

### **TRUST AND RESERVE FUNDS**

Cemetery Trust Funds at the year end totaled \$2,968.43, which was represented by time deposits. Principals amounted to \$2,366.08 while income totaled \$602.35. Income from the trusts totaled \$78.28 while only \$6.50 was expended from these funds (Schedule A-11).

The Dr. Eugene Gilman Fund is held in common trust by the New England Trust Co., Boston, Mass. Records made available for the audit indicate that the principal of the fund is \$8,996.74 while unexpended income amounted to \$1,371.06 (Schedule A-11).

The Noah and Nellie Clough Fund is held in trust by the First National Granite Bank, Augusta, Maine. Principal of this fund is \$10,000.00. Income for the year under review totaled \$300.00 which was transferred to and expended from the summer roads account.

At the year end the School Building Fund amounted to \$5,647.70, an increase of \$2,095.95 over the preceding year. This increase is accounted for by a \$2,000.00 appropriation approved by the Townspeople and \$95.95 interest earned by the deposit.

### **GENERAL**

It was noted during the audit that the overlay was transferred to the winter roads account. Transfers of this nature should have the approval of the Townspeople.

### **SCOPE OF AUDIT**

Records were checked to determine the accuracy of recording cash transactions. The system of internal control was reviewed as pertaining to the handling of cash and other matters of financial concern. Available funds and expenditures were examined by methods and to the extent deemed necessary. Vouchers and cancelled checks were examined to the extent deemed necessary. Trust and capital reserve fund transactions were reviewed and time deposits verified. Bond and insurance coverages were reviewed. Excise tax collections were verified by examination of the copies of the receipts retained by the Collector. Letters of verification were utilized on a sample basis to determine the correctness of taxes, tax liens, and notes payable.

Included in this report are exhibits and schedules pertaining to the financial status of the Town. Audit procedures were followed to the extent deemed necessary to develop these statements.

It is believed that the accompanying balance sheet and supporting statements fairly present the financial position of the Town at February 6, 1959, and the result of its operations for the year then ended.

**Exhibit A**

**TOWN OF MOUNT VERNON**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**

February 6, 1959   February 1, 1958

**GENERAL FUND**

**ASSETS**

Cash on Hand (Sch. A-1)	\$ 1,220 62	\$ 271 71
Accounts Receivable (Sch. A-2)	20 50	163 50
Taxes Receivable (Sch. A-3)	3,981 86	5,001 18
Tax Liens (Sch. A-4)	1,374 62	723 91
Tax Acquired Prop. (Sch. A-5)	2,360 03	2,073 00
Deferred Appropriation (Sch. A-6)	3,198 00	6,396 00
 TOTAL — GENERAL FUND	 \$12,155 63	 \$14,629 30

**LIABILITIES**

Due Government Agencies (Sch. A-7)	\$ 304 30	\$ 225 00
Notes Payable (Sch. A-8)	8,698 00	9,383 70
 Total Liabilities	 \$9,002 30	 \$9,608 70

**RESERVES**

Operating Acct. Balances (Exh. D)	2,813 21	2,763 58
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**SURPLUS**

Unappropriated (Exh. C)	340 12	2,257 02
 TOTAL — GENERAL FUND	 \$12,155 63	 \$14,629 30

February 6, 1959   February 1, 1958  
**TRUST FUNDS**

**ASSETS**

Cemetery Trust Funds		
Time Deposits (Sch. A-11)	\$2,968 43	\$2,796 65
Total — Cemetery Trust Funds	2,968 43	2,796 65
Trust Funds in Hands of Trustees		
Worthy Poor Fund (Sch. A-11)	10,367 80	10,049 75
Highway Fund	10,000 00	10,000 00
TOTAL — TRUST FUNDS	\$23,336 23	\$22,846 40

**LIABILITIES**

Cemetery Trust Funds		
Principals (Sch. A-11)	\$2,366 08	\$2,266 08
Income	602 35	530 57
Total — Cemetery Trust Funds	2,968 43	2,796 65
Trust Funds in Hands of Trustees		
Gilman Fund (Sch. A-11)	10,367 80	10,049 75
Clough Fund	10,000 00	10,000 00
TOTAL — TRUST FUNDS	\$23,336 23	\$22,846 40

**CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS**

**ASSETS**

Time Deposits (Sch. A-12)	\$5,647 70	\$3,551 75

**LIABILITIES**

School Building Fund (Sch. A-12)	\$5,647 70	\$3,551 75

**Exhibit B**

**TOWN OF MOUNT VERNON**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 6, 1959**

CASH BALANCE — February 2, 1958	\$ 271 71
<b>ADD — CASH RECEIPTS</b>	
Tax Collections	
Current Year	\$38,639 56
Prior Years	4,531 96
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Total Tax Collections	\$43,171 52
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Excise Tax Collections	
1958 Receipts #48-398	3,279 46
1959 Receipts 1-92	1,024 57
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Total Excise Receipts	4,304 03
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Tax Liens	538 24
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Departmental (Exhibit D)	22,522 59
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Other Receipts	
Accounts Receivable	10 50
Withholding Taxes	1,955 60
Temporary Loans	10,000 00
Trust Fund Income	300 00
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Total Other Receipts	12,266 10
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<b>TOTAL — CASH RECEIPTS</b>	<b>82,802 48</b>
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<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE</b>	<b>83,074 19</b>

## DEDUCT — CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Departmental (Exhibit D)	\$73,001 19
Temporary Loans	5,500 00
Withholding Taxes	1,876 30
Tax Liens (by cash)	1,476 08
 TOTAL — CASH DISBURSEMENTS	 81,853 57
 CASH BALANCE — February 6, 1959	 \$ 1,220 62

## Exhibit C

**TOWN OF MOUNT VERNON  
STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS  
YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 6, 1959**

UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS—February 2, 1958 \$2,257 02

## DECREASE.—

Excess of Expenditures over Available Funds (Exhibit D)	\$3,753	59
Adjustment of Accounts Receivable		
Credited to Departmental Operations	153	00
Error — Underpayment of Tax Lien		10
 Total Decrease		

## INCREASE —

Notes Paid by Appropriation	
School Bus	1,000 00
Whitten Bridge	987 70
Adjustment 1957 Taxes Receivable	2 09
 Total Increase	<hr/>

### NET DECREASE

**Exhibit E****TOWN OF MOUNT VERNON****1958 VALUATION, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION****YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 5, 1959****VALUATION**

	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Total
Resident	\$227,590 00	\$41,210 00	\$268,800 00
Non-Resident	229,055 00	10,242 00	239,297 00
<b>TOTAL VALUATION</b>	<b>\$456,645 00</b>	<b>\$51,452 00</b>	<b>\$508,097 00</b>

**ASSESSMENTS**

Valuation x rate  
 \$508,097.00 x .082 mills  
 152 Polls @ \$3.00

\$41,663 96  
 456 00

Tax Commitment  
 Supplemental Taxes

\$42,119 96  
 30 15

**TOTAL ASSESSMENT**

CHARGED TO COLLECTOR

\$42,150 11

**COLLECTIONS AND CREDITS**

Cash Collections  
 Abatements  
 Discounts

38,148 22  
 40 55  
 450 79

**TOTAL COLLECTIONS AND CREDITS**

38,639 56

**1958 TAXES RECEIVABLE — February 5, 1959**

\$ 3,510 55

**COMPUTATION OF ASSESSMENT**

TAX COMMITMENT (as above)	\$42,119 96
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REQUIREMENTS	
Town Appropriations	\$40,658 18
County Tax	813 40
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TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	41,471 58
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OVERLAY	\$ 648 38
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# Road Commissioners' Report

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## TOWN ROADS, WINTER (by Harold Ladd)

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$ 271 20
Harold Ladd, truck	181 70
Harold Ladd, loader	188 90
Lewis Hibbard truck #1 and #2 and labor	795 52
Richard Ladd, truck and labor	636 35
Paul Whittier, labor	397 30
Robert Reckard, labor	235 74
Auswell Wight, labor	331 19
Albert Cole, labor	121 90
Walter Trask, labor	20 70
Everett Wadleigh, repairs on Walters	42 00
Herbert Currier, tractor and labor	6 50
Ernest Tarbox, tractor and labor	8 12
Albert White, tractor and labor	8 12
Ray Hall, tractor	4 00
Everett Mace, bulldozer	308 00
Arthur Taylor, tractor	10 00
Kenneth Field, labor	13 80
Neals Garage, repairs	13 70
Harold Ladd, trip to Portland	11 00
Howard Fairfield, repairs for plows	107 20
Mt. Vernon Tel. Co.	2 30
Central Petroleum Co., paint for plows	4 90
Socony Mobil Oil Co., antifreeze for Walters	12 42
Tracy and Tyler, gas for Walters	69 12
Ray Hall, gas and repairing Walters	351 80
Daniels Motor Parts, mdse. and lights for plows	51 16
Childs Garage, repairs	20 95
Murray Machine Co., repairs	52 90
George Smith Corner Service Station, gear oil	36 00
Skowhegan Machine Shop, repairs	5 80
Portland Tractor Co., parts for Walters	127 39
Hamilton's I.G.A., mdse. and gas	32 19

North Eastern Petroleum Co., 1 drum hydraulic oil	\$ 68 75
Waldo White, stage and tax on hyd. oil	1 03
Union Steel Co., cutting edges & cross chain stock	535 51
Fox and Ginn Inc., freight on shoe for Walters	1 25
C. P. Chase, 144 yds. sand @ \$.10	14 40
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	\$5,100 81

**TOWN ROADS, WINTER (by Raymond Wyman)**

Raymond Wyman, foreman	\$ 626 91
Raymond Wyman, truck #1, #2, #3	705 99
Lewis Hibbard, truck & labor	862 90
Richard Ladd, truck & labor	1,174 70
Frank Bickford, labor	457 70
Rubin Webber, labor	190 20
Joseph Ayotte, labor	326 40
Kenneth Currier, labor	56 40
Herbert Currier, loader & labor	149 65
Harold Ladd, loader	266 85
Leo Berry, labor	17 40
Morgan Jones, labor	49 20
Robert Reckards, labor	84 00
Harold Ladd, truck	71 30
Earlon Danforth, truck & labor	139 20
Alvin Harris, labor	28 80
Clyde Wyman, labor	40 20
Albert Cole, labor	52 80
Herschel Hutchins, labor	8 40
Everett Wadleigh, labor	14 00
Clyde Williams, labor	43 20
Harold Kent, labor	54 00
Everett Williams, labor	6 00
Leroy Smith, loader	21 00
Bryant's Garage, repairing Walters	431 35
Portland Tractor Co., parts for Walters	136 44
Ernest Danforth Jr., towing Walters to Augusta	75 00
C. E. Noyes Co., tires & tubes for Walters	687 56
Bailey Elec. Co., repairing generator on Walters	2 75
State Highway Comm., overhauling Walters motor	861 88
Ray Hall, gas, oil, anti-freeze for Walters	68 80

Ray Hall, housing Walters	\$ 60 00
State Highway Comm., 48 tons salt	855 36
Guy F. Knight, sand	58 00
Childs Garage, parts, etc.	26 08
Wallace French, shovel, winter sand	208 00
Paul Hammond, sand and loading	147 00
W. H. Shurtleff, salt (8 tons)	193 60

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\$9,259 02

**TOWN ROADS, SUMMER (by Harold Ladd)**

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$260 00
Harold Ladd, truck	181 70
Harold Ladd, loader	464 95
Richard Ladd, truck & labor	588 69
Lewis Hibbard, truck & labor	741 66
Paul Whittier, labor	139 72
Robert Reckard, labor	401 04
Auswell Wight, labor	98 32
Paul Whittier, truck	25 30
Harold Gesterling, labor	109 80
Harry Hall, labor	85 20
Carl Currier, labor	4 20
Walter Trask, labor	28 17
Floyd Hooks, labor	25 75
Roy Barter, scraping roads	22 00
Wallace French, shovel \$8.00, bulldozer \$245.00	253 00
Calvin Webber, gravel	21 40
Grover Currier, gravel	10 40
Eric Elvin, gravel	9 10
Mt. Vernon Telephone Co.	10 55
Hamilton's I. G. A., mdse.	9 26
Ernest Danforth, Jr., grader	542 46
Gordon Jenney, scraping roads	21 00
Bancroft & Martin, culvert	27 52
State Highway Commission, applying tar	455 02
Peachy Builders, bulldozer	5 00
Farmington Farmers Union, roll of wire	7 50

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\$4,548 71

**SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR TAR (by H. Ladd)**

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$ 16 25
Harold Ladd, loader	23 80
Harold Ladd, truck	49 45
Robert Reckard, labor	25 80
Richard Ladd, truck & labor	8 40
Harry Hall, labor	15 00
Richard Webber, labor	10 80
Lewis Hibbard, truck & labor	7 00
Morgan Jones, labor	2 40
Ernest Danforth, Jr., grader	26 46
Gen. E. W. Hill, sand	14 80
State Highway Comm., applying tar	293 72
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	\$493 88

**RATHY HILL ROAD T. R. I. (by H. Ladd)**

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$ 90 06
Paul Whittier, truck	66 70
Richard Ladd, labor & truck	129 50
Lewis Hibbard, truck #1 and #2 & labor	167 50
Charles Ridley, labor	43 20
Harold Gesterling, labor	44 40
Robert Reckard, labor	30 00
Floyd Hooks, labor	33 60
Herbert Kelly, truck & labor	89 25
Terrance Rourke, labor	18 00
Donald Potter, truck & labor	49 50
Merrill Rourke, truck & labor	33 25
Robert Bryant, truck & labor	49 50
Wallace French, bulldozer \$780.00, shovel \$200.00	980 00
Albert White, sand at .07c per yd.	35 35
Roy Hopkins, gravel	85 60
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\$1,945 41

**TOWN ROADS, SUMMER (by R. Wyman)**

Raymond Wyman, foreman	\$ 32 12
Richard Ladd, truck & labor	5 25
Frank Bickford, labor	28 20
Rubin Webber, labor	15 60
Joseph Ayotte, labor	13 20

Harold Ladd, loader	\$ 4 75
Earlon Danforth, truck & labor	21 00
Danforth Bros., grader	84 00
Neil's Garage (by Harold Ladd) cutting and welding culverts	4 50
Bancroft & Martin, culvert	50 58
Merle Goucher, 3328M oak, Siebert Bridge 575 ft. Hemlock	373 05
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	\$632 25

**COTTELL HILL ROAD, SPECIAL APPRO. (by H. Ladd)**

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$16 59
Paul Whittier, truck	29 90
Charles Ridley, labor	15 00
Harold Gesterling, labor	15 00
Terrance Rourke, labor	7 80
Robert Reckard, labor	15 60
Lewis Hibbard, truck & labor	73 10
Floyd Hooks, labor	14 40
Herbert Kelly, truck & labor	42 00
Donald Potter, truck & labor	42 00
Wallace French, bulldozer \$199.50; shovel \$88.00; truck \$36.75	324 25
Robert Bryant, truck & labor	29 75
Merrill Rourke, truck & labor	29 75
Richard Ladd, truck & labor	42 00
Eric Elvin, gravel	44 40
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	\$741 54

**CUTTING BUSHES (by H. Ladd)**

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$ 10 00
Walter Trask, labor	23 00
Lewis Hibbard, labor	9 20
Robert Reckard, labor	9 20
Harold Gesterling, labor	138 80
Harry Hall	6 00
John Lucas Tree Co. (spraying)	100 00
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	\$296 20

**FRED WADLEIGH ROAD T. R. I. (by H. Ladd)**

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$ 126 40
Paul Whittier, truck	121 90
Richard Ladd, truck & labor	164 50
Lewis Hibbard, truck & labor	229 80
Floyd Hooks, labor	57 60
Robert Reckards, labor	63 60
Herbert Kelly, truck & labor	134 72
Charles Ridley, labor	48 60
Harold Gesterling, labor	52 20
Wallace French, bulldozer \$966.00,	
truck 115.50, shovel 320.00	1,401 50
Donald Potter, truck & labor	85 75
Robert Bryant, truck & labor	49 00
Merrill Rourke, truck & labor	49 00
Terrance Rourke, labor	21 60
Gene Pinkham, base gravel	85 55
Eric Elvin, gravel	74 40

\$2,766 12

**SADIE DUNN ROAD T. R. I. (by H. Ladd)**

Harold Ladd, foreman	\$ 14 22
Paul Whittier, truck	20 70
Charles Ridley, labor	9 60
Harold Gesterling, labor	9 60
Terrance Rourke	9 60
Robert Reckard, labor	10 80
Lewis Hibbard, truck & labor	49 90
Floyd Hooks, labor	9 60
Hebert Kelly, truck & labor	28 00
Donald Potter, truck & labor	28 00
Wallace French, bulldozer \$52.50,	
shovel 64.00, truck 19.25	135 75
Robert Bryant, truck & labor	28 00
Merrill Rourke, truck & labor	28 00
Richard Ladd, truck & labor	28 00
Eric Elvin, gravel	43 60
Bancroft & Martin, culverts	386 31

\$839 68

# Town Clerk's Report

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## DEATHS

Maude Robinson, age 59, Buried in Farmington, Maine  
Lamont Tyler, age 78, Buried in  
Manville Burns, age 78, Buried in Stevens Cem. Mt. Vernon, Me.  
May Ella Towle, age 67, Buried in Robinson Cem. Mt. Vernon, Me.  
Thomas W. Reckards, age 68, Buried in Stevens Cem., Mt. Vernon, Me.  
Carrie Belle Bean, age 85, Buried in Bean Cem., Mt. Vernon, Me.  
Sadie Lyford, age 89, Buried in No. Auburn Cem., Auburn, Me.  
Lewis Redonnett, age 85, Buried in Riverside Cem., Farmington, Me.  
Glenwood Damren, age 60, Buried in Fayette Cem., Fayette, Me.  
Donald Rackliff, age 19, Buried in No. Vienna Cem., Vienna, Me.  
Clyde Lee Hall, age 60, Buried in Bean Cem., Mt. Vernon, Me.  
William Leonard, age 74, Buried in Robinson Cem. Mt. Vernon, Me.  
Thomas Austin, age 70, Buried in Vienna Cem., Vienna, Me.  
William Hansen, age 53, Buried in Bean Cem., Mt. Vernon, Me.  
Minnie Walker, age 85, Buried in Readfield Corner Cem. Readfield, Me.  
Martha Wellman, age 90, Buried in Maple Grove Cem., Randolph, Me.  
Rosemary Potter, Infant, Buried in Bean Cem., Mt. Vernon, Me.  
Helena Meredew, age 77, Buried in Riverside Cem., Farmington, Me.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL G. SMITH, Town Clerk

**1958 – Administration****Dr. Eugene Gilman Fund****MOUNT VERNON, MAINE — FEBRUARY 2, 1959**

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**RECEIPTS**

February 4, 1958 — Check book Balance	\$1,053 01
March 29, 1958 — Interest on Invested Funds	508 05
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	\$1,561 06

**EXPENDITURES**

February 18, 1958 — December 22, 1958 inclusive	
Checks drawn on Fund as per Selectmen's Orders	\$ 190 00
February 2, 1959 — Balance on hand	1,371 06
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	\$1,561 06

Respectfully submitted,

JULIA A. MILLETT, Treasurer.

Dr. Eugene Gilman Fund.

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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*To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Mt. Vernon:*

As Superintendent of Schools I have the privilege of presenting this annual report for your schools for the school year ending February 6, 1959.

## MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Barbara Lincoln, Chairman	Term expires 1959
Mr. Everett Wadleigh	Term expires 1960
Mrs. Ruth Whittier	Term expires 1961

## TEACHERS

Mrs. Erma Currier	Primary, Grade 1
Mrs. Betty Blood	Grades 2, 3
Mrs. Hazel Cole	Grades 4, 5
Mrs. Winona Webber	Grades 6, 7, 8

## BUS DRIVERS

Mrs. Ruth Hall	Mrs. Marie Kohtala
Mrs. Lydia Pettingill	Mr. Clayton Somers

## CUSTODIANS OF THE SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Grover Currier      Mina Frost      West Mt. Vernon Grammar Club

## SCHOOL STATISTICS

Registration ending June 30, 1958

Boys	59
Girls	48
Total	107
Number of pupils completing elementary school	10
Number of pupils attending secondary school	35
Number of days in school year	180
Average daily attendance	103

## SCHOOL REGISTRATION

The enrollment at the beginning of school, September 2, 1958 and changes to January 26, 1959 are as follows:

Grades	P	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	To.
Boys	7	6	6	11	6	6	9	2	8	61
Girls	9	4	3	6	8	8	6	5	2	51
Entered										
since Sept. 2	2	2	3	0	1	1	2	0	1	12
Left since Sept. 2	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	5
Total Jan. 26	16	12	12	15	15	15	16	7	11	119

## EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS

Charles H. Barter	Arnold George Clough
Ernest Eugene Field	Douglas Leroy Goucher
Karen Pihljaer Holsclaw	Neal Albert Kelley
Thomas Walter Reckards III	Nancy Elaine Somers
Robert Southard	James W. Stevens
Clyde Harrison Williams	

## STUDENTS ATTENDING SECONDARY SCHOOL

## Belgrade High School

Carol Clough	Class of 1960
Dorothy Pettingill	Class of 1961
Audrey Damren	Class of 1961
Jane Carl	Class of 1961
Elizabeth Pettingill	Class of 1962
Gail Clough	Class of 1962

## Cony High School

Ruby Currier	Class of 1959
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## Farmington High School

Class of 1959

Kenneth Currier	Marjorie Gordon
Barbara Lancaster	Max Perkins

Class of 1960

Joanne Currier	Joseph A. Daigle
Rodney Erb	Harry Higgins

## Class of 1961

Susan Erb  
 Pearl Hall  
 Norman Perkins  
 Clyde Wyman

Janet Gullifer  
 Cheryl Kelley  
 Andrew Struck

## Class of 1962

Richard Caswell  
 Marjorie Somers  
 Gordon Webber

Albert Finnegan  
 Bonnie Turner

## Kents Hill School

Barbara Clark  
 Joanne DeMariano  
 Dean Getchell

Class of 1960  
 Class of 1961  
 Class of 1962

## Winthrop High School

Frederick Finnegan  
 Phyllis Goucher  
 Linda Ouellette  
 Geraldine Barter  
 Clyde Clough  
 Judith Currier

Class of 1959  
 Class of 1961  
 Class of 1961  
 Class of 1962  
 Class of 1962  
 Class of 1962

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Friday, February 20, schools close, vacation  
 Monday, March 2, schools open  
 Friday, March 6, Temperance Day, Special observance  
 Mud season vacation, based on road conditions  
 June 8-12, schools close for summer vacation  
 Monday, September 6, Labor Day  
 Tuesday, September 7, schools open  
 Friday, October 23, Franklin County Teachers' Convention  
 Thursday and Friday, October 29 and 30, Teachers' Convention  
 Lewiston  
 Wednesday, November 11, Veterans' Day  
 Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27, Thanksgiving Recess  
 Friday, December 18, schools close, Christmas vacation  
 Monday, January 4, schools open  
 Friday, February 19, schools close

### FINANCES

The financial statement shows the total receipts and disbursements of the school department for the school year ending February 2, 1959. The total receipts in the common school account were \$19,818.56, expenditures were \$18,582.81 leaving a balance of \$1,235.75. This balance in all accounts may be due to the fact that we paid for only fifty weeks. The receipts for High School tuition were \$10,444.42 including balance from the previous year and we have paid out for tuition \$9,435.59, leaving a balance of \$1,162.54. In the repair account we expected a balance of \$273.73 to be carried forward but the Auditor carried this amount to surplus and for that reason we have an expenditure of \$50.94 which must be carried as a deficit. The amount of \$19.08 was raised to pay a deficit for desks and chairs and this account is now in balance.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR MT. VERNON SCHOOLS

#### COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Resources	
Appropriation	\$ 6,500 00
State subsidy	10,866 00
Balance, 1958	2,452 56
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Total	\$19,818 56
Expenditures	
Teachers	\$11,116 50
Conveyance	4,479 09
Janitors	770 75
Fuel and Lights	840 20
Textbooks	626 91
Supplies	672 90
Insurance	76 46
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Total	\$18,582 81
Balance to 1959	\$1,235 75

**HIGH SCHOOL TUITION**  
**Resources**

Appropriation	\$10,000 00
Refund on tuition from State	153 71
Balance, 1958	444 42
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Total	\$10,598 13
Total paid in tuition	9,435 59
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Balance to 1959	\$1,162 54

**REPAIRS**

Total expenditure and deficit to Surplus	\$50 94
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**DESKS AND CHAIRS**

Appropriation	\$19 08
Paid for deficit from last year	19 08

**ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR MT. VERNON SCHOOLS**

Teachers	\$15,700 00
Conveyance	6,000 00
Janitors	1,000 00
Fuel and Lights	1,000 00
High School Tuition	12,700 00
Books	700 00
Supplies	700 00
Insurance	150 00
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Total	\$37,950 00

The available resources will be:

Anticipated State Subsidy	\$14,189 00
Balances from 1958	2,398 29
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Total	\$16,587 29
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Amount to be raised	\$21,362 71

## RECOMMENDED AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED BY TOWN

Common schools	\$ 9,800 00
High school tuition	11,700 00
Repairs	200 00
Superintendent	1,450 00

Thanks to the kindness of you townspeople in appropriating more money than I asked for at last year's Town meeting, and because payments were made for a fifty week period, we have been able to carry balances forward to next year. The balance in the high school account was caused by a few people leaving school. Through some misunderstanding the amount of money under repairs was carried to surplus by the Auditor causing us to have a small deficit in this account.

Thanks should go to all of you people who gave so generously of your time to study the Proposed School Administrative District. At this time it appears the Town of Mt. Vernon is being left out in the regrouping of towns. If I can be of any help, I will be glad to be of assistance in any way in this or any other studies you care to make.

The student population of Mt. Vernon seems to be on the increase and with your approval we employed a fourth teacher last fall. I feel that this has been for the educational advantage of your children. At present I do not know which teacher should have the extra grade next year. This will depend somewhat on the school population as we may see it at the opening of school in the fall.

Mt. Vernon is faced with a serious housing problem for its elementary schools. We should give serious consideration to a building program regardless of whether or not a District is formed. During the cold weather heating is a problem and playground space in the village is inadequate. Each bus must be on schedule because of the necessity of changing pupils from one bus to another.

The budget for the coming year has been presented to your School Committee and it has been revised and approved by them. I can assure you that I shall endeavor to operate your schools as efficiently as possible for the best interests of your children.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER R. LEACH,

Superintendent of Schools.

# **Warrant for Annual Town Meeting of Mount Vernon**

**MARCH 2, 1959**

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**To Mabel Smith, a Constable of the Town of Mount Vernon, in the  
County of Kennebec and State of Maine, Greetings:**

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Mount Vernon, in said County, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Mount Vernon town hall, in said town, on Monday, the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1959 at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for ensuing year, for which purpose the Polls will be open at 8:05 A.M. and closed at 12:15 P. M.

Art. 3. To consider and act on the Town Officers' reports.

Art. 4. To fix the pay of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of Poor, Tax Collector, Excise Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Road Commissioner, School Committee and for labor on Summer and Winter Roads, including Trucks, Tractors, Bulldozers and Teams.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following purposes for the ensuing year.

	Recommended
1. Contingent	\$ 3,500 00
2. Fire Department	1,200 00
3. School Bus Note	1,000 00

	Recommended
4. Street Lights	\$ 300 00
5. Summer Roads	4,300 00
6. Spraying and Cutting Bushes	300 00
7. Winter Roads, plus Excise Tax	4,000 00
8. Special Resolve Maintenance	225 00
9. State Road Patrol	310 40
10. Town Poor	1,500 00
11. Common Schools	9,800 00
12. High School Tuition	11,700 00
13. Superintendent of Schools	1,450 00
14. Memorial Day Flags	25 00
15. Interest on Loans and Notes	600 00
16. Insurance on Town Employees	300 00
17. Insurance on Town Equipment	400 00
18. Public Health Nurse	125 00
19. Town Dump	100 00
20. Cemetery Maintenance	100 00

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Sections 44, 49 or 50, Chap. 23, Revised Statutes of 1954, as amended.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 to be spent on the Walker Resolve Road from the Cemetery to the Sadie Dunn Road, being an extension of the Readfield Farm to Market Road.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to build up with gravel the section of Taylor Hill Road from Robinson Corner to the foot of the hill in order to eliminate water drainage from Moore's Hill Road, so called.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used for tarring T. R. I. roads.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00, more or less, to apply to Unpaid Temporary Loan.

Art. 11. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 91, Section 108, of the Revised Statutes of 1954.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the School Building Fund.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be spent on the Echo Lake road.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for Tax Discount of 2 per cent on all taxes paid before August 1, 1959.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make arrangements for all summer cottages, camps, etc., non-resident or resident, to have names of owners posted on buildings for assessing, fire protection and policing purposes.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote on whether or not to pay the Tax Collector's Bond and expenses.

Art. 17. To see what action the Town will take in regard to having a state audit.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will authorize the School Building Committee to negotiate with a reputable building contractor to obtain plans, details and cost of a 5-room Elementary School for further negotiating with the Maine Building Authority for a loan of \$55,000.00, more or less, subject to approval by a Special Town Meeting.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Cemetery Committee to administer the cemetery maintenance appropriations and Trust Funds.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the purpose of erecting road signs at intersections, indicating name of roads plus destination points where advisable.

Art. 21. To see what action the Town will vote to take in regard to the Collection of Unpaid Taxes.

Art. 22. To see what action the Town will vote to take in regard to re-negotiating with other towns in an Administrative District setup.

Art. 23. To see what action the Town will vote to take in regard to the establishment of a School Building Fund-Raising Committee for the purpose of augmenting town appropriated funds.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a Temporary Loan or Loans within the 1959 taxable year in anticipation of taxes, for the purpose of paying obligations of the Town — such Loan or Loans to be paid during said taxable year.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$116.55 to pay Culvert bills dating to 1954.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen, in behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they may deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 27. Motion to adjourn.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the above named hall and place of meeting, on Monday, the day of said meeting, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters, from 7:30 o'clock in the forenoon until the polls close.

Given under our hands this 17th day of February, A. D. 1959.

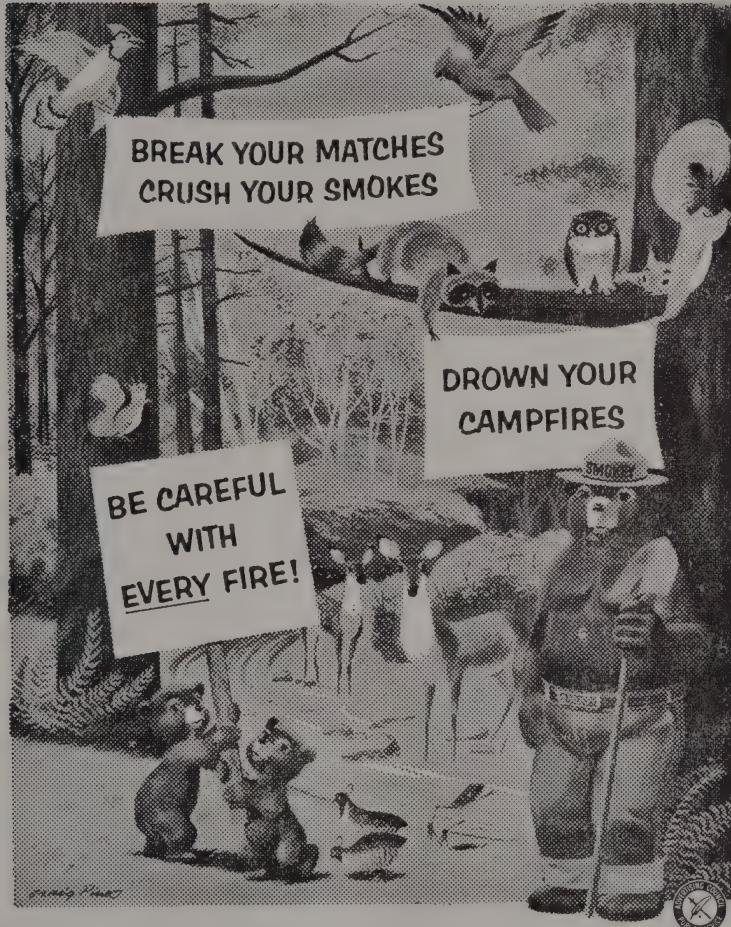
HERBERT M. CURRIER,  
HAROLD B. KENT,

Selectmen of Mount Vernon.

A true copy attest:

MABEL G. SMITH,

Constable of Mount Vernon.



**"The responsibility is yours and  
mine to Keep Maine Green in '59"**















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